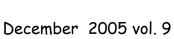


## SAFETY ON THE LINE



A service of the NASA KSC Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate

**************************************
Holiday stress – Make realistic expectations for the holidays; budget your time as well as your money; make a list and prioritize activities and pace yourself.
Be aware of what children's and consumer products have been recalled. Visit the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission website.
Personal Safety – when shopping, be aware of your surroundings. Be careful when riding on escalators. Don't overload yourself with packages. Establish a place to meet in the event you become separated from children. Know where you parked your vehicle and have your keys ready. Stow your purchases out of sight in the car. Shop with a friend. Carry your purse tucked tightly under your arm – men, put your wallet in your front trouser pocket.
When buying a natural tree, the most important safety precaution is maintaining freshness. To keep your tree fresh longer, cut off 2 inches of the trunk and place in a sturdy water holding stand with wide spread legs. Keep the tree watered. NEVER use electric lights on metal trees (like the old silver trees).
Lights & decorations — Use only UL approved lighting. Inspect for frayed wires or cracked sockets. Never hang lights with staples or nails that can damage the cord's wiring insulation. Do not overload extension cords. Do not use indoor lights outdoors or visa-versa. Always unplug all lights before leaving home or going to bed.
(Continued on Page 2)

"Keeping Christmas is good, but sharing it is better". -Arnold Glasow

